

Assistance Available to Obtain Immunization Information for Persons from Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama

Individuals who have been displaced by Hurricane Katrina are arriving in Alaska. Understandably, many of them appear without any health records. To assist providers who are assessing the immunization needs of these individuals, the Alaska Division of Public Health has coordinated with state immunization programs in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. A limited number of Alaska public health personnel have been granted access to the information contained within the immunization registries of these three states. These persons can access information from the Louisiana and Mississippi registries on-line, and contacts have been established to obtain information from Alabama upon request.

For assistance in obtaining immunization information from these three states, providers may contact the Alaska Immunization Program, as shown below. Additional resource persons are available to assist providers in the Municipality of Anchorage, public health nurses, and providers within an Alaska Native tribal health corporation.

Provider	Contact	Contact Information
Any provider	Alaska Immunization Program	269-8000 Please ask to speak to someone about <i>“Katrina Immunization Information”</i>
<i>Additional Resources for Selected Provider Groups</i>		
Providers within the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA)	Hisa Fallico, MOA Dept of Health and Human Services	343-4709
Public Health Nurses	Toni Hackney AK Section of Nursing	334-2266
Tribal Health Corporations	Lindsey Caudle AK Native Tribal Health Consortium	729-3647

The Alaska Immunization Program is committed to responding to these requests as rapidly as possible. Please be aware that, while information from Louisiana and Mississippi will be available immediately, it may take several hours to obtain Alabama information due to the need to contact staff directly.